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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Schneider:

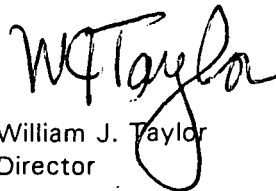
**TRANSMITTAL OF RESPONSES TO THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
COMMENTS AND THE REVISED CERTIFICATION DESIGN LETTER AND PROJECT SPECIFIC PLAN
FOR CERTIFICATION SAMPLING FOR AREAS 3A AND 3B**

- References: 1) Letter, J. Saric to J. Reising, "Areas 3A and 3B CDL and Certification Sampling
PSP," dated July 27, 2004
- 2) Letter, T. Schneider to W. Taylor, "Conditional Approval – CDL and PSP for
Area 3A/3B Certification Sampling," dated August 13, 2004

Enclosed for your approval are responses to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency comments and the Revised Certification Design Letter (CDL) and Project Specific Plan (PSP) for Certification Sampling for Areas 3A and 3B. Comment responses have been incorporated into the CDL and both the CDL and PSP were conditionally approved per the above-noted references.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Johnny Reising at (513) 648-3139.

Sincerely,


William J. Taylor
Director

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Enclosures: As Stated

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**RESPONSES TO
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
COMMENTS ON THE CERTIFICATION DESIGN LETTER
FOR AREA 3A AND AREA 3B**

**FERNALD CLOSURE PROJECT
FERNALD, OHIO**

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Action: The document will be revised to address locations that are underwater.

6. Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA Commenter: OFFO
 Section #: Figure 4-2 Pg #: Line #: Code: C
 Original Comment #: 6
 Comment: This figure shows the location of previously collected samples. These samples are never mentioned in the text. It is assumed these samples are ones taken when the excavations were close to the GMA and immediate backfill was necessary. Please clarify what these samples are in the text.
 Response: The discussion of all previously collected samples is located in Section 4.1.3.
 Action: None.